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RE: Human Research Subject Protections Under Federalwide Assurance (FWA) FWA-0064

Dear Dr. Dell'Omo:

The Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP) has reviewed the Saint Joseph's University's (SJU) March 31, 2003 and April 17, 2003 reports submitted in response to OHRP's February 25, 2003 letter regarding the human subject protections program at SJU.

Based on the review of SJU's reports, OHRP finds that the SJU has developed satisfactory written IRB procedures and adequately addressed the additional concerns set forth in OHRP's February 25, 2003 letter.

As a result of the above determination, there should be no need for further involvement of OHRP in the above referenced matter. However, SJU must notify OHRP promptly of any new information that might alter this determination.

OHRP appreciates the continued commitment of your institution to the protection of human research subjects. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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